

CONTEST DETAILS ARE ANNOUNCED

MEMBERS OF TOASTMASTERS' CLUB TO COMPETE FOR MCCABE TROPHY.

Entries Must Be Filed By Feb. 10—Organization Holds An Inter-esting Meeting.

The details of the McCabe prize contest for extemporaneous speaking were given last night at the meeting of the Toastmasters' club in the Y. M. C. A. banquet room.

The rules provide that contestants must be under 30 years of age and that any one above the second year in college or university, is barred.

All entries must be in the hands of the secretary of the Y. M. C. A. on or before Feb. 10. At this time topics to be used in the contest to be held to March, will be given to each contestant.

This event is open to any member of the Toastmasters' club who is on the roll at the present time. The contestants do not have to be members of the Y. M. C. A.

The members who were present last night were enthusiastic over the possibility of the affair and it is expected that there will be a large number of contestants.

McIntyre Toastmaster.

Last night's program opened with the introduction of W. R. McIntyre as toastmaster, and he surely made good. The first address was on "Political Development in 1914" and was presented by Ray Wilson. He covered the subject thoroughly and showed careful preparation and selection of material.

The next speech was by I. J. Green who summed up the financial developments of 1914. He stated that 1914 was a year of effects, rather than causes, that it was a year "when chickens came home to roost." He pointed out that the conditions with the railroads, particularly the New Haven and the Rock Island were the result of high finance that had been practiced for a number of years, and not a condition that had its cause in 1914. He also called attention to the change in the attitude of the public toward railroad rates, the public even going so far as to agree that in some cases an advance in rates would be wise.

1915 What?

The next speaker, Neil McNeil, talked on the inventions of 1914 and the program closed with an address by A. J. Lindstrom on "1915, What?" Mr. Lindstrom asked how many a year ago would have believed a prophecy that by the middle of 1914 Europe would be at war, and showed how useless it was for anyone to attempt to foretell what the future might be. However, he gave the advice that if one would take an optimistic view of every phase of our work, a person could determine to considerable extent what the year 1915 would be. He thought the coming year would be bright prospects for Rock Island because it is situated in the center of the richest agricultural section of the United States, and that in spite of the unsettled condition of manufacturing industries, this section will be called on eventually to supply food stuff to the rest of the world.

The club decided to hold its next meeting on Tuesday night Feb. 15, the program to be in the nature of a parliamentary drill.

FOSTER

Thomas Steen, who spent the past two weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Watson, returned to Muscatine Friday.

The directors of the Excelsior school house district have added several needed improvements to the building by

WOMEN IN VIENNA.

Vienna, Feb. 2.—Everybody does their duty for the endangered fatherland. The poor woman on her way to factory contributes her little to the collection boxes. The rich women open their parlors, saloons and kitchens to the wounded officers and soldiers. Not only do the women of Austria, France, England, Germany suffer from war's depredations, but the women in America are everyday suffering from the many ills that women are heir to.

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Installing a furnace and painting the interior of the building.

There was no Sabbath school at the Providence church Sunday owing to the storm.

C. D. Foster and W. P. Downey accompanied shipments of hogs to Chicago the past week.

August Kreuz is ill with pneumonia. Mrs. F. W. Foster is ill with the grip. Her son Warner, who suffered a severe attack of pneumonia recently, is again able to be up about the house.

William Nussbaum departed Monday for Fairbury, Ill., to attend the funeral of a relative.

FILE PETITIONS ON ANNEXATION

ASK JUDGE N. A. LARSON TO PUT MATTER ON BALLOTS AT COMING ELECTIONS.

Almost in leaps and bounds is sentiment growing in favor of the annexation of the 1,500 acres of land south of this city and including the village of Sears, and late this afternoon or tomorrow morning the petitions bearing over 200 names will be placed in the hands of Judge N. A. Larson, in county court, for the purpose of having the question placed on the ballots at the spring elections here and in Sears.

Now that the question is assured a place on the ballots and the list of names has been checked over and found to be sufficient in number, the residents of Sears are taking new interest in the matter and committees report that a large percentage of the citizens of the village to the south are enthusiastic over the proposition.

DANIEL HAYES COMPANY HAS BEEN INCORPORATED

Articles of incorporation of the Daniel Hayes company have been received in this city, and beginning today the real estate firm of Hayes & Hayes will be taken over and continued by the new company. The Daniel Hayes company is incorporated in Idaho, where the lands in which it is interested are located, with a paid-in capital of \$250,000. The officers are Daniel Hayes, president; Daniel Hayes, Jr., vice president and treasurer; W. C. Kautz, secretary; A. L. Baker, financial manager.

Daniel Hayes and Daniel Hayes, Jr., were the senior and junior members of Hayes & Hayes and W. C. Kautz was for many years with the Rock & Musser Bank and Trust company of Muscatine, and for the last seven years has been with the Farley-Lotscher company of Dubuque.

Mr. Hayes in an interview today explained that the formation of the company had become necessary as the business had increased. The Daniel Hayes company, in addition to its office in Rock Island, has branch offices in Davenport, Peoria, Clinton, Chicago and Cedar Rapids, and representatives in other cities. The business of the firm consists principally in handling irrigated fruit lands in Idaho, sales of which in the tri-cities alone have been more than \$500,000. Mr. Hayes stated that the company is now associated with H. L. Hollister of Chicago and L. B. Perrier of Twin Falls, Idaho, in a tract of 3,785 acres in the Twin Falls valley of Idaho, and is interested in a number of other projects in the Twin Falls country.

GREETERS TO RECEIVE THEIR CHARTER SOON

Frank Bertelsen, secretary and treasurer of the Tri-City Greeters' association, today received another letter from David Olmsted, national chairman of the Hotel Clerks' association, regarding the new charter for the local association. Mr. Olmsted stated that he had received a letter from President Joseph McCaffrey of the Iowa-Nbraska Hotel Clerks' association, releasing Bertelsen as a member, the same action having been taken in Rock Island and Moline with regards to the Illinois association.

Mr. Olmsted has written to Secretary Warriner at Davenport to rush through the charter. He advised Secretary Bertelsen to leave the constitution of the local association open until the national convention is held at Atlanta, Ga., June 7, 8 and 9.

Y. M. C. A. TO OBSERVE DWIGHT L. MOODY DAY

Next Sunday is to be observed as Dwight L. Moody day by the Y. M. C. A. An address on the "Life and Work of Moody" will be delivered by Dr. O. T. Dwinell. Stereopticon slides will be shown to illustrate the different stages in Moody's life. Special music will also be a feature of the service. The meeting will be for men only.

LICENSED TO WED

Joseph Schramek DuQuoin, Ill.
Leona White Marseilles, Ill.
Charles P. Duplap Taylor Ridge
Corra C. Hoffman Taylor Ridge
Pily M. Pierce Milan
Mrs. Mary E. Solander Milan
Roy Wrightman Pontiac
Eva Malmrose Cambridge
Oscar Hammerstrom Cambridge
Katherine Leander Cambridge

Tax Payers, Attention.
Tax payers of South Rock Island can pay their taxes after Feb. 7, 1915, to Mr. Weber at the following places, between 8:30 a. m. and 2:30 p. m.: Tuesday, Lawrence Paridon, South Heights; Wednesday, Simon Poehlman, Sears; Thursday, J. P. Siemon & Co., South Rock Island.
(Adv.) JOHN WEBER, Tax Collector.

OPEN VERDICT IN BUNCHER DEATH

CORONER'S JURY DECIDES DEATH OF CITIZEN DUE TO NATURAL CAUSES.

Was 75 Years of Age and Had Lived in This Vicinity Over Half a Century.

An inquest was conducted yesterday afternoon over the remains of Raymond Buncher, who was found dead yesterday noon in bed at his home in the rear of the grocery store of Mrs. Samuel Whitebook, Seventh avenue and Fourth street. An open verdict was returned. Peter Griffin, who found the body, was the only one to testify at the hearing conducted by Coroner R. C. J. Meyer.

Griffin stated that he went to the home shortly before noon and found Mr. Buncher lying in the bed in an unconscious condition. He went to a barber shop in the vicinity and returned with a companion, Clarence Lotheridge. When they arrived Mr. Buncher was dead.

The aged man had been failing for several weeks. Two weeks ago his daughter, Mrs. Fred Luchmann, 3724 1/2 Fourteenth avenue, took him to her residence where a physician attended him, stating that he was suffering a severe cold and that his heart action was irregular. Mr. Buncher improved somewhat and insisted on returning to his own home on Fourth street. Although he had made his home with his daughter for the past three years he did not care to remain with her after she moved to the bluff district, explaining that he wanted to be near his old friends in the west end of the city. It is probable that heart disease caused his death.

75 Years of Age.

Mr. Buncher was 75 years of age and had lived in this vicinity for over a half century. He was born in Baden, Germany, Nov. 18, 1839, and when still a young boy came to America, settling in Philadelphia, where he lived for two years before moving to Rock Island, arriving here in the late 50's. For some time he worked at the carpenter's trade, later moving to Gonesson on a farm. A few years later he returned to this city and had resided here since. While employed in constructing the government bridge in 1891, Mr. Buncher lost a limb in an accident, and since that time had not been able to do much heavy work. He was a member of St. Joseph's church and was well known among the older residents here.

He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Henry Tishke, Grand Rapids, Mich., and Mrs. Fred Luchmann, Rock Island; one son, Mattis, Rock Island; one sister, Mrs. Susan Steiger, Geneseo, and one brother, Michael, Philadelphia, Pa.

Funeral services will be conducted tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock from St. Joseph's church, Dean J. J. Quinn officiating. Burial will be in Calvary cemetery.

Mrs. Ellen Jeffrey.
Mrs. Ellen Jeffrey, 68 years old, and a resident of this city for over 25 years, died at 9:30 last night at her home, 222 Ninth street. She had been failing for the past two years from infirmities of age.

Her maiden name was Miss Ellen Venable and she was born in County Tyrone, Ireland, in 1846, where she spent the early years of her life. She came to America in 1879, settling in eastern Illinois, moving to Rock Island 25 years ago, where she had resided since. Her husband preceded her in death 11 years.

She is survived by one brother, James Venable, Edgerton, and one sister, Mrs. J. A. Carpenter of this city.

Funeral of Pearson Jopling.
The funeral of Pearson Jopling was held this morning at 10 o'clock from Knox's chapel. Rev. F. J. Rolf of the German Evangelical church had charge of the services. Interment was in Chippianock cemetery.

Mr. Jopling was born in Kentucky, 1859. He spent the earlier years of his life in West Chester and Albion, Iowa. He came to Rock Island four years ago to make his home with his niece, Mrs. Margaret Hoffman, 614 Twenty-fourth street and had resided here since.

His death was due to stomach trouble of short duration and until recently he had enjoyed the best of health. His niece and sister, Mrs. Laura Zebra were at the bedside when the end came.

Mr. Jopling was a machinist by trade, and an inventor of some note. He had just been awarded a patent on a coal and rock drill, a long cherished plan of his. It is said that he had received several large offers for this patent, but at the time of his death was holding out for more.

Mr. Jopling was also a student of perpetual motion and was about to have an invention, embodying his ideas, patented, when death intervened.

He is survived by four sisters, Mrs. Margaret Thornton, DuQuoin, Ill.; Mrs. Mary Yates, East St. Louis, Ill.; Mrs. E. E. Knott, Topton, Iowa; and Mrs. Laura Zebra and one brother, Robert, of this city.

Funeral of Mrs. Sederquest.
The funeral of Mrs. Hilda Sederquest will be held tomorrow noon from the home, 1294 Eighteenth avenue, instead of today as first planned. Rev. Karl Nilsson, pastor of the Swedish Lutheran church, will have charge of the services. The remains will be sent to Reynolds for interment.

Funeral of William Kellerman.
An inquest was conducted at 10 o'clock this morning at Wheeler's undertaking parlors over the remains of

William Kellerman, who died suddenly at his home, 2734 Eighth avenue, Sunday night. An open verdict was returned. Mrs. L. B. Haight at whose home he had roomed, and Mrs. Louis Schafer, at whose place he died, testified that he had complained of pains above his heart and his death was probably due to heart failure.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock from Wheeler's undertaking parlors with burial in Oakdale cemetery, Davenport.

Funeral of Benjamin Hage.
Funeral services for Benjamin Hage, who died Saturday night, were held at 2 o'clock this afternoon from the home of his sister, Mrs. George Lawson at Cable. Burial was in Cable cemetery. Death was due to a second stroke of paralysis, which he suffered Friday night. The first came about 18 months ago in Milan and he had been ailing since.

Mr. Hage was born at Coal Valley 35 years ago. At an early age he moved with his family to Cable, where he had spent most of his life. He came to Rock Island four years ago and two years later went to Milan, where he was engaged in the liquor business for one year. He never married.

One brother, Fred, and one sister, Mrs. George Lawson, both of Cable, survive.

Funeral of Dr. C. E. Taylor.
The remains of Dr. Carlton E. Taylor, who passed away suddenly yesterday morning at Newport, R. I., will arrive in the city Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Private funeral services will be held Saturday morning at 10 o'clock at the home of the son, Carlton G. Taylor, 1205 Twelfth street. It is the wish of the family that no flowers be sent. Rev. H. W. Reed of the First Baptist church will officiate and interment will be made in Chippianock cemetery.

Social

SURPRISED ON BIRTHDAY.

Miss Mabel Burton was pleasantly surprised by the members of the Arbordale club and 25 other friends at her home, 2810 Fifth-and-a-half avenue, Monday evening, the occasion being her birthday anniversary. The time was spent in music and games, piano selections being rendered by Raymond Kall and the Misses Una Kall and Anna McQuaid. Josephine McNeill and Germon Hicks won the prizes in a guessing contest. Luncheon was served late in the evening and they left Miss Mabel many handsome tokens to remember the day.

Thursday, Feb. 4, is club night at the Rock Island club and there will be dancing and cards as usual, the Criterion orchestra giving the program. Dancing begins at 8 and refreshments are at 10:30. Dinner will be served a la carte previous to the dance. The dance committee is making arrangements for a cabaret, dinner dance on the first club night in March, Thursday, March 4.

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A report on the atmosphere electric observations made during the second cruise of the Carnegie is published. The radio-activity of the air over the ocean areas far removed from land is small, compared to that found over land; while the ionization over the ocean is at least as large as that found over land.

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ONE CASE TESTS CITY VOTE DATE

DROP MANDAMUS ACTION BEFORE SUPREME COURT AGAINST CITY.

Single Petition Filed by Moline Man Will Bring Desired Results, Local Attorneys Believe.

(Special to The Argus.)

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 3.—After consultation here, it was determined to drop the case against City Clerk Rudgren and raise all questions in the election case against the Moline city clerk, in the supreme court. The supreme court this morning granted leave to file our petition and refused three other applications for mandamus hearings, one being an election matter. Contrary to the usual practice the court will probably decide questions soon, as we are urging that emergency exists.

The above telegram came this afternoon from City Attorney James F. Witter, who with other lawyers, is in Springfield for the purpose of securing a decision from the supreme court as to the legal time for holding the city election in Rock Island and Moline.

Drop One Case.
Earlier advices from Springfield were also to the effect that there would be but one test mandamus case in an effort to settle the time for the municipal election in the two cities. The decision of the higher tribunal will likely be made tomorrow or Friday.

The case against City Clerk Martin T. Rudgren of this city was not filed because the attorneys decided that but one case would be necessary.

The mandamus against Moline therefore is to compel the city clerk of that city to call the election on the first Tuesday instead of on the third Tuesday in April.

If the supreme court dismisses the mandamus, and sustains the demurrer which City Attorney James Johnston of Moline will file in answer to the petition, then the legal time for the elections here will be on the third Tuesday. But if the mandamus petition is sustained, the election will be held on the first Tuesday in the month as is being planned here.

It was originally arranged to mandamus the city clerks of both cities, but this procedure was changed in view of the fact that more time would be required and haste is demanded in the decision of the higher tribunal in view of the fact that Moline has done little towards holding the primaries.

The supreme court has virtually assured the four attorneys from the two cities that it will give a decision before adjournment on Friday.

HOWARD KLOVE SECURES AN EXCELLENT POSITION

Local friends of Howard Klove, who recently left the city for Detroit to accept a position on the editorial staff of the News, will be interested in knowing that he has been appointed state special agent for the Employers' Liability Insurance company, London. After he had worked a week on the big paper, the flattering offer from the insurance company came and he began his new work Monday. He will have entire charge of the accident department of the state.

WILL PLAN FOR ANNUAL STATE CONVENTION HERE

A meeting of the local camp of Gileads will be held here tomorrow evening for the purpose of furthering plans for the state convention of the order to be held here in April. Invitations from various local organizations requesting the meeting to be held here have been sent to the head offices.

Chorus girls in New York City object to being sensationalized and have asked for the privilege of censoring material before being sent to the newspapers.



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